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Re: SELECTIVE TREATMENT OF MICROELECTRONIC
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Semitool Reference: P00-0024US3
Our Reference: 114183-20

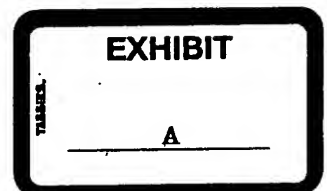
Dear Mr. Jolley:

We are working with Pete Cross at Semitool in connection with an application pending in the United States Patent Office in which you were named as a co-inventor. For your information, I am enclosing a copy of that application and the claims as they currently stand to refresh your recollection as to the subject matter of this application.

We have filed this patent application and claims to provoke an interference with a patent owned by a third party which discloses and claims the same subject matter. We have determined that some of the work falling within the scope of the present application was done by one of your colleagues, namely Steven D. Peace, and have concluded that our position in the interference would be improved by adding Mr. Peace as an inventor.

That requires the consent of the named inventors as well as the consent of Semitool, which I have already secured.

I am enclosing, for your information, a copy of a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.48 And 1.131 for Mr. Peace to sign explaining his role as a co-inventor. I am also enclosing, for your information, our Request to add him as an inventor as well as our Supplemental Response that explains the significance of his work on the prospective interference.



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If you are in agreement with our course of action, I would ask that you sign the Replacement Declaration and Power of Attorney which is enclosed and return it to me in the self-addressed envelope. Your name will remain as a co-inventor on any patent that issues. Needless to say, if you have any questions regarding any of the foregoing, please do not hesitate to let me know, either by phone or email. My email address is krockey@rdlklaw.com.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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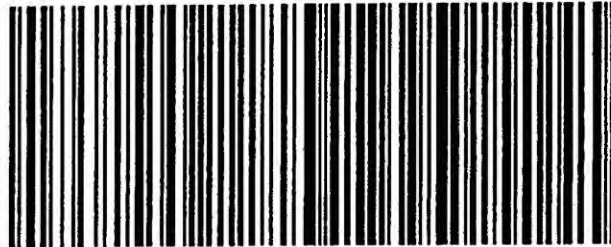
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